HOUSE No. 675

By Mrs. Teahan of Whitman, petition of Kathleen M. Teahan relative to the liability of pharmacists. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO PHARMACISTS LIABILITY ACTIONS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- 1 Section 60B of Chapter 231 of the General Laws, as appearing
- 2 in the 1996 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the
- 3 seventh paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following:—
- 4 For the purposes of this section, a provider of health care shall
- 5 mean a person, corporation, facility or institution licensed by the
- 6 commonwealth to provide health care or professional services as a
- 7 physician, hospital, clinic or nursing home, dentist, registered or
- 8 licensed nurse, optometrist, podiatrist chiropractor, physical thera-
- 9 pist, psychologist, acupuncturist, or pharmacist, or and officer,
- 10 employee or agent thereof acting in the course and scope of his
- 11 employment.